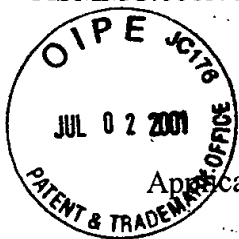


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Applicant : Raaijmakers et al.) Group Art Unit: 2825
Appl. No. : 09/452,844)
Filed : December 3, 1999)
For : CONFORMAL THIN FILMS)
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CAPACITOR ELECTRODES)
Examiner : R. Rocchegiani)

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 28, 2001, setting a three month term, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-66 are pending in the application. Claims 36-54 have been withdrawn from consideration as a result of an election made by Applicants on February 14, 2001 in response to a restriction requirement. Claims 1-35 and 55-66 stand rejected by the Examiner on various grounds.

Objections to the Drawings

The Examiner objected to the drawings because the specification on page 4 refers to the electrode as '22a' but Fig. 1B labels the electrode as '22.' Applicants have submitted herewith a Submission of Drawing Corrections for Approval by the Examiner. Label '22' in Fig. 1B has been corrected to read '22a'. If the Examiner approves of the correction, this change will be incorporated in a Submission of Formal Drawings.